

Spread Comradeship, Advice to Teachers

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Your young daughter wishes to become a music teacher, does she? Very well, I will tell you how she may succeed, for there are probably ten thousand more like her within the range of my articles. Also in giving the idea of the successful method I shall outline substantially the manner of a girl of my acquaintance who is actually at work upon the scheme.

My young musical friend is 17, and recently graduated from a standard city high school. It is her purpose in time to master and teach both the piano and ordinary vocal methods. Just now she is both studying and teaching, is taking one piano lesson per week from an able instructor, and in turn is teaching the first simple lessons to six or eight pupils of her own. This method is most sound—to take in and get out as she goes and thus to stimulate interest and ambition.

But the first lesson with the pupils of my young friend are friendship lessons. Friendship first, then service. First know who and what the child is, get acquainted with his life. Learn as to his major interest and desires. Play for him, tell him stories, and do things with him. Make him your happy young comrade.

Now, begin with the lessons. Keep away from dull exercises and technique. Teach the child to play happily something which sounds to him like music and a tune. For the time being, the exercises must be pleasing and if possible delightful or you will probably fail to hold the child. Follow up with drill and difficulties only after this happy relation to the exercises is well established.

No matter how simple their performances, group your pupils in twos, threes,

Patent Leather Trims This Coat



As a Woman Thinks

MODERN CONVERSATION BY EDITH E. MORIARTY.

Whatever other effect the dry amendment may have had, the effect upon the conversation and writing of the day is most noticeable. The war itself caused no more heated arguments and no more parlor and dinner table gossip and not much more news in the papers. One wonders just how long this attitude will last and how far it will go.

Before prohibition it was considered smart and clever for many youths to drink and to drink to excess, but now with liquor at a premium it is considered smart and clever by almost everybody who ever indulged to obtain even one drink. In certain circles that man, or woman, either, who can boast of a stock or of having a real drink is looked upon as a hero. And this, be it known, does not occur among the poorer classes who were supposed to be the ones "saved from themselves" by prohibition.

It happens in the drawing rooms, on the avenue and in the clubrooms of the elite and in the living rooms of

Black Frock Is Parisian Favorite



Similarity of Looks Troublesome to Boy

BY MRS. ELIZABETH THOMPSON.

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I am a schoolboy and in looks resemble another fellow who shares my locker. This second boy recently stole a pair of military trousers and told me he did it before the theft was discovered. Later I was accused of the theft and my locker friend told the faculty that it was I who appropriated the pants. What I want to know is how to prove that am not guilty.

What's In a Name?

BY MILDRED MARSHALL.

ROBERTA.

Roberta, the charming boyish name signifying "bright fame," is one of the many examples of feminine names coined directly from the masculine cognomen, Robert. Though Robert can be clearly traced, there is no record of the evolution of the feminine and it can only be deduced that some parent, disappointed at the birth of a daughter, bestowed the family name upon the girl-child and added the final "a" as a concession to the sex of the infant.

Roberta has a charmingly poetical heritage. Her counterpart appears in the most famous passages of England's early history. The origin of the name was in "red," which accounts for the translation of "bright." Curiously enough, Roberta was popular in Italy after being rejected by England, before its vogue in that latter country became so great.

One of the wild dukes of Normandy brought it back to England and numerous earls and nobles seized upon it, establishing its vogue permanently. The death of Robert, King of France, whose deeds are recorded in English ballads, did much toward making it popular. It was the epithet which Queen Elizabeth addressed to the two earls, stepson and stepdaughter, who snubbed themselves in her favor. Robert of Bruce was the national hero of Scotland and Robin Lawless was a favorite Irish character.

Roberta is essentially American, though the contraction, Bertie, which is the endearment for several other names as well as Roberta, has the real Yankee sound.

Roberta's tallamantic stone is the sapphire. His is said to guard her from danger and disease, Tuesday is her lucky day and 7 her lucky number.

Note to readers: Is there a fact concerning your name in which you are interested? Do you know its history, its meaning, its derivation and significance? Do you know your lucky day and your lucky jewel? If not, Mildred Marshall will tell you. Send self-addressed and stamped envelope with your queries, to Mildred Marshall, The News-Scimitar.

NAME WAS HAROLD.

Four-year-old Harold was going away on a visit. His mother had been giving him final instructions in table etiquette and the general importance of being polite.

His six-year-old sister listened with increasing disdain. Finally, unable to bear it any longer, she said: "Now, mother, if Harold is going up there to act a damn ass, I'm not going."

UNCLE WIGGILY AND JOHNNIE'S CANDY.

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BY HOWARD R. GARIS.

One night, when Uncle Wiggily was sitting in the Bushytail squirrel house and when Nurse Jane Fuzzy Wuzzy was helping Mrs. Bushytail do the dishes, and when Willie and Johnnie, and the other boys, were doing their school home work, all of a sudden there came a knock at the door.

"Come in," called Nurse Jane, who was putting away the cups and saucers.

"I'd better go now," said Uncle Wiggily, for Mrs. Bushytail, the squirrel gentleman, had gone to the club lodge meeting down at the Hollow Tree Casino.

"Suppose it's the Pipsweah—what the heck," said Uncle Wiggily, just trying to find out how many times one apple could go into six pies.

"Then, if it will not let him in," declared Uncle Wiggily, "I'll let him in."

"But he'll reach in and grab your nose before you can stop him!" cautioned Nurse Jane. "We'd better call a policeman."

The knock sounded again, and then came a little laugh. Uncle Wiggily smiled and twinkled his pink nose until it was almost as bright as the lightning bolts from the candy lantern that was on the table.

"I know who that is," said the bumpy gentleman. "It's Jackie and Bow Wow, and someone is with them. I guess they've just come to call on you, Billie and Johnnie."

And that was just when the door was opened there stood not only the two puppy dog boys, but Johnnie, Willie and the duck, and Toad and Noodle Flat Tail, the beaver boys, and to think we thought you were the Pipsweah!" laughed Johnnie as he let in his friends.

"Make yourselves at home," called Uncle Wiggily. "Have you seen all your home work?"

"Yes, sir," answered Jackie and Bow Wow. "We've finished it all."

"Well, then, Johnnie and Johnnie, hurry and finish yours, and then you can play games with the company," said Mrs. Bushytail.

So the two squirrel boys made haste to find out how to divide three apple dumplings among five girls and have a jam tart left over. And when this was done the six friends played and had a good time.

After a while Johnnie came out to the kitchen where Uncle Wiggily, Nurse Jane and Mrs. Bushytail were gone to sit by the fire and talk, and Johnnie said:

"Couldn't we give 'em something to eat?" Company always has to have something to eat!"

"Yes, that's all right," spoke Nurse Jane.

"I suppose it is," agreed the squirrel lady. "You may pop some corn, Johnnie, and I'll give them some cookies and cake."

"That'll be fine!" said the squirrel boy. "But could you give 'em any candy? They always have gandy at parties."

"This isn't a party!" laughed his mother, as she got out the corn popper, while Nurse Jane began to cut the cake.

"I know it isn't," said Johnnie, whisking his tail around, "but it's almost like one, and I know they'd like candy. I'd like some myself," said his mother. "But as it happens I only have enough sugar for breakfast."

"What about molasses?" asked Johnnie. "We've made candy of that."

"But we have no molasses," spoke Nurse Jane. "We must get some, and also sugar tomorrow. We haven't a single sweet thing in the house to make candy for your little party, Johnnie. I'm sorry."

"So'm I," sighed the little squirrel boy.

Uncle Wiggily got up and went to the door. "It is almost cold enough," said the rabbit gentleman, twinkling his pink nose.

"Cold enough for what?" asked Johnnie. "If you mean cold enough to go to the five and six-cent store to get candy, it isn't, for the store is closed, Uncle Wiggily. It is very kind of you to think of it, but the stores are all closed."

"I know they are," remarked the rabbit gentleman. "I wasn't thinking of that. It's cold enough to freeze. That's what I mean, since it is, Johnnie, if you will come call me. I'll show you how to get candy for your party friends."

"Oh, goodie!" chattered the squirrel boy, though he did not understand what freezing had to do with candy. He knew you had to freeze ice cream, and he was thinking perhaps Uncle Wiggily meant that.

So while Nurse Jane and Mrs. Bushytail were getting the cookies, cake and popcorn ready, and while Billie was entertaining the boys, Uncle Wiggily and Johnnie went to a tree not far outside the house.

GETS WAR CROSS.

Max Linder, French movie comedian, now in America, has been proposed for the Knight of the Legion Honor cross. The decoration is in reward of his war services.

GOSSIPY NEWS.

George Stewart, brother of Anita, has entered pictures with a determination to learn all about the business. He appeared with William Russell in "Shed With Fire," and has just been engaged by Douglas Fairbanks for the star production, "The Mollycoddle."

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Lillian Rambeau, mother of the stage star, Marjorie Rambeau, is in the movie, "The Girl in the Picture," now being made by Edith Starnes.

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Mary Miles Minter is an "April Fool" baby. She will reach her eighteenth birthday on April 1.

Irene Castle plays an Indian girl in "Miss Antique."

GRADUATE WITH HONORS.

A college senior class in an examination were given this question: "What do you consider the greatest problem which confronts the college man just graduated?"

"The income tax," wrote one of the seniors, "which was graduated before he was."

In Movieland

BY DAISY DEAN.

Norma Talmadge (is she your favorite movie actress, too?) has just been selected by Gertrude Doyle, the famous sculptress, as representing a perfect type for a statue of Joan d'Arc. Miss Doyle is making the statue for the Strand theater of New York city. The original will be cast in bronze and will be placed in the lobby.

Miss Talmadge has been selected by many picture fans as a perfect type for almost anything she might choose to be, in the picture world. In applying yourselves to the vocal work you are precisely the same general method as the foregoing—happy singing, merriment, joy in the exercises, first of all; then drills and technique.

Household Hints

BY MRS. MARY MORTON.

Baked Fresh Salmon—Select a three- and one-half-pound cut of fresh salmon, head and tail cut, reasonably priced. Wash and remove the scales and then wash again. Place in a china bowl and cover with the following dressing: Mince fine and place in a bowl one tablespoon of lemon juice, four tablespoons of salad oil, one-quarter teaspoon of paprika.

Beat to mix and then pour over the salmon. Let the salmon marinate for two hours, turn frequently, without lifting to a baking pan and place a strip of cheesecloth underneath the fish, in order that it may not break when breaking. Dust with flour and then place in a hot oven and bake for one hour, basting with liquid left in bowl from marinating. Four tablespoons of bacon fat, four tablespoons of boiling water, garnish with nicely browned strips of bacon.

Fried Scallops—Wash and drain the scallops and then place in a saucepan and cover with boiling water. Simmer for five minutes and then drain. Season. Roll in flour and then dip in beaten egg and then in fine bread crumbs and fry until golden brown in hot fat.

Baked Spaghetti au Gratin—One-fourth package of spaghetti, break in lengths, boil in salt water 20 minutes. Put in greased baking dish, alternate with one-half can of tomatoes, season with salt, pepper. Sprinkle with bread crumbs on top and brown.

Dutch Oven Oatmeal—One cup of oats, two and a half cups of water, three-fourths teaspoon of salt. Have water boiling in oven. Stir in other ingredients and place on shelf of furnace. The oatmeal will be ready for breakfast.

Kidney Stew—Wash kidneys thoroughly and cut into two-inch pieces. Roll in flour and brown in skillet. Make a gravy of browned flour and water and add to this four small onions, cut in small pieces, two cups of canned tomatoes, one teaspoon of salt, one-eighth teaspoon of pepper and a dash of paprika. Place meat and gravy in Dutch oven, cover and cook for four hours.

Cheese Biscuits—Because of the fat contained in the cheese use one tablespoon less shortening than for plain biscuits. After the shortening has been added to the dry ingredients, add one-half cup grated cheese and finish in the same manner.

HIS ALMA MATER.

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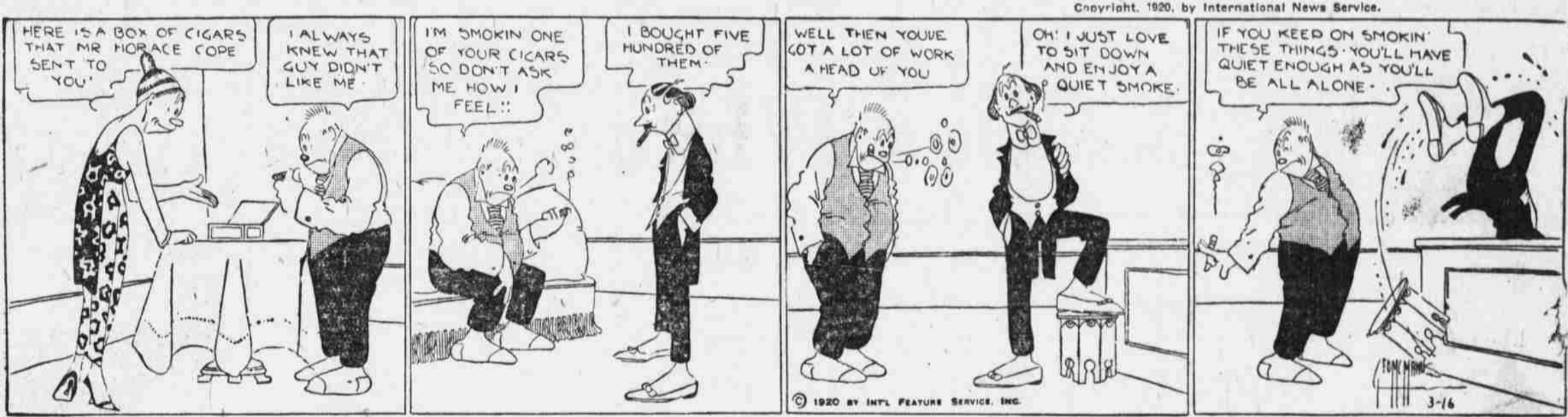
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BRINGING UP FATHER—By George McManus

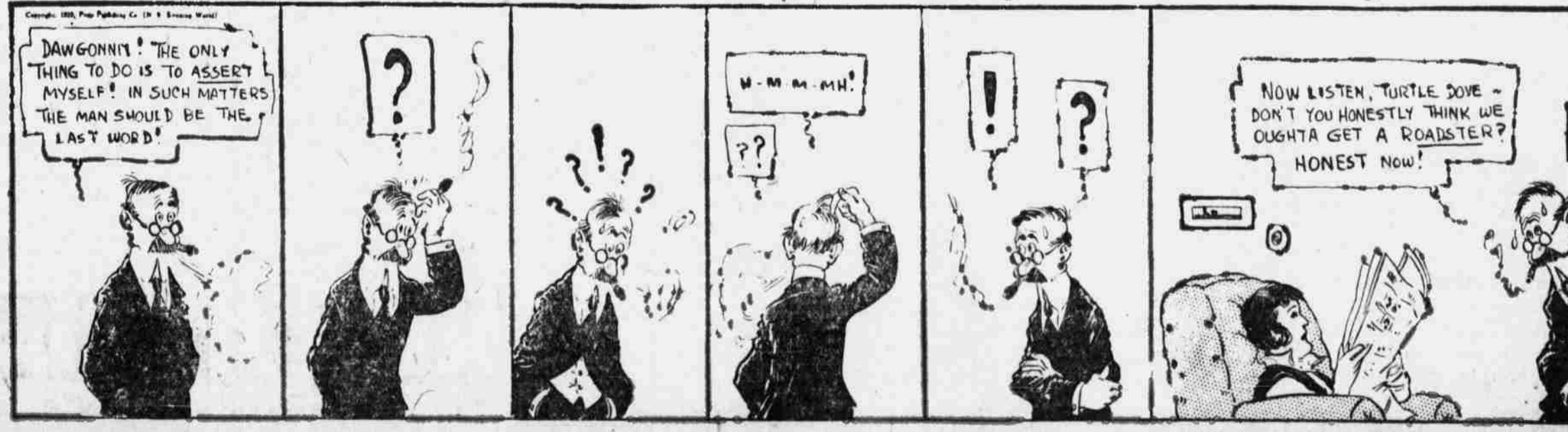
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LITTLE MARY MIXUP—Baby Isn't Unconscious—He's a Total Loss!



JOE'S CAR—It's Evident the Missus Is Holding Out for a "Tou ring"



Women of Today

BY EDITH E. MORIARTY.

Mrs. A. B. Pyke, of Lakewood, O., has been honored by the Democrats as being the first woman in the country appointed to attend the national Democratic convention. Since her appointment other women have been named, but she holds the distinction of having been the first. So far Mrs. Pyke is the only woman in Ohio who will attend the convention in an official capacity.

As a veteran of suffrage campaigns and chairman of the recently organized women's Democratic campaign committee of Cuyahoga county, Mrs. Pyke was the logical woman to fill the place. She will go to the national convention at San Francisco as one of the two representatives of the Twenty-second Ohio district.

Presently Mrs. Pyke is busy organizing the women in the county. Her special aim is to get all the women out to the primaries in April. And from her prominence in state politics Mrs. Pyke is a member of the school board in her city.

Women are especially jubilant over her selection, believing that the precedent means that politics "can not fail" to become more and more attractive and dignified to the best people in the community. Mrs. Pyke herself is pleased because she sees in her selection the culmination of her long fight for suffrage.

THEY STAND ALONE.

Mrs. Grace Jane Noe, one of Chicago's most prosperous business women, enjoys the distinction not only of occupying a province unusual to womanhood, but of being the only milk broker in America.

Mrs. "Snow" Baker, wife of an Australian sporting promoter, has herself arranged and managed important prize fights and made contacts under which American boxers improved Australia.

Mabel J. Gray, of Tonopah, Nev., is probably the only mine president in the country.